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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

News from Everywhere.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

The will of the late Henry W. Shaw (Josh Billings) was filed on the 6th. The market value of the estate is \$95,000.

MARY GLANVILLE, formerly one of Barnum's midwife curiosities, being very small, was found dead in bed at Newton, L. I., on the 6th.

INDIAN COMMISSIONER ATKINS telegraphed the Secretary of the Interior from Muskogee, I. T., on the 6th, that he had found a large number of squatters in his progress through the Territory whom he believed to be "boomers." He expressed the opinion that military force must be employed to expel them.

On the 8th John McCullough, the tragedian, died at his home in Philadelphia, Pa.

PRESSURE is being brought to bear on the President in favor of a recommendation in his message to convert the Agricultural Bureau into an executive department.

THE glass-chimney workers of Pittsburgh, Pa., have formed a union.

REV. SAM JONES is to bring his power to bear on Washington City.

REV. DR. O'CONNELL is expected this week in Baltimore, Md., bearing the approval of the Pope of the work of the recent Plenary Council.

It is announced that the Hon. James Russell Lowell will return to England next spring and remain there during the summer and autumn.

A SENATOR comes from Washington to the effect that Senator Riddleberger may be induced to resign.

SIR HECTOR LANDEVILLE, Canadian Minister of Public Works, and Hon. M. Chapleau, Secretary of State, threatened to resign in the event of Riel being hanged.

JAMES A. BAYARD, son of Secretary Bayard, has been appointed Secretary of the Territory of Arizona.

LIEUTENANT GRIFFIN is to lecture before the Scotch Geographical Society on the 16th, and will return to the United States about Christmas.

LUDWIG HANSEN, the head of an old Danish hankering firm at Copenhagen, has confessed to having unlawfully disposed of moneys entrusted to his keeping to the amount of \$1,000,000.

On the 7th the monument of Washington erected in Milwaukee by Miss Lizzie Plankington at a cost of \$25,000, and presented to the city, was unveiled.

On the 9th Mr. Gladstone presented an ovation while en route from Hawarden to Edinburgh.

HARRY G. DELL, charged with robbing the mails, was acquitted on the 9th at Louisville, Ky., on the ground that he was a naturalized American.

The Egyptians are greatly delighted at the appointment of Mokhtar Pasha as Turkish Commissioner to Egypt.

At the cathedral in Cleveland, O., on the evening of the 8th, Bishop Gilmore invested Mgr. Felix M. Roff, Vicar-General of the Cleveland diocese, with the title and insignia of domestic prelate to the Pope. The ceremony was one of much interest.

On the 9th Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, England's future King, celebrated his forty-fourth birthday.

It is stated that the Czar of Russia struck Prince Alexander's name from the army list in a fit of anger, and without consulting his ministers.

MR. WILLIAM E. SMITH, the recently appointed Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, has qualified and assumed the duties of that office.

Secretary EDDICOTT has sent instructions to military commanders who are stationed in the neighborhood in which uprisings against the Chinese are apt to occur, to have their troops in readiness to enforce the provisions of the President's recent proclamation.

KING THEOBALD's reply to the British ultimatum not being considered adequate, the British expeditionary force will now cross the frontier with the least possible delay.

On the 9th Dean O'Laughlin fell dead while at mass in University College, Dublin.

UNOFFICIAL returns of the recent election in Dakota show a plurality of 4,000 in favor of making Huron the new State capital. Prohibition is carried. Minority representation is believed to be lost.

On the 9th Major Edmund Mallett, of Washington D. C., the well-known worker in the French cause in the United States and an intimate personal friend of Louis Riel, the Canadian revolutionist, had an interview with the President, and made a strong appeal for the interference of this Government to prevent the hanging of Riel by the Canadian authorities. The President, however, declined to do so.

LOUIS RIEL, who was to have been hanged at Regina, N. W. T., on the 10th, was again reprieved until the 16th inst. Preparations are being made for his execution on the date mentioned, although the warrant had not arrived.

CLEVELAND, O., has a new music hall, and one of the largest in the West. It was opened the night of the 9th in the presence of a magnificent audience, including Governor Hoadly and family of Ohio, Governor Alger and family of Michigan, Governor Hoadly president, Emma Nevada and her concert company were among the attractions of the evening.

On the 9th United States Marshall J. W. George arrested Mayor Weisbach, Dr. Hanna, Probate Judge Wickham and twenty-five others at Tacoma, W. T. charged with being implicated in the recent expulsion of the Chinese from that city. The prisoners were taken to Vancouver.

The Tabor divorce case at Boston was closed on the 9th by the court granting a decree to Mr. Tabor and dismissing the cross-bill of Mrs. Tabor.

M. LOUIS BLANC presided at the opening of the French Chamber of Deputies on the 10th.

All four of the defendants in the Stead-Armstrong trial at London were found guilty, and Stead, editor of the *Pall Mall Gazette*, was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

MISS KATE FIELD has consented to lecture at New York on "The Social and Political Crisis of Utah."

H. H. WARNER, of New York, has ordered three paintings of the artist, Henry Mosler, to cost \$75,000.

Two heirs of H. W. Smith, of Kentucky, have brought suit for 186 acres of land in the corporate limits of New Orleans.

NOBUNA, Japanese Postmaster-General, is in this country inspecting the mail system of the United States.

It is probable that Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong will be prosecuted for damages for the abduction of their daughter.

PRINCE ALEXANDER is seeking advice as to how he shall arrange matters with the Porte in the event of the conference of the powers proving abortive.

ADDITIONAL information has been received by the Secretary of State from the United States Minister at Paris to the effect that the monetary convention, between the Latin powers providing for the suspension of coinage of silver, permits each power to resume, provided the silver certificates circulating in the other States are redeemed in gold by the resuming State. It also gives to these States the right to exclude the silver coins of the resuming State.

It is understood that the Secretaries of War and of the Navy will recommend in the annual report that provision be made at the coming session of Congress for assistant Secretaries of War and of the Navy. These are the only two Cabinet officers who are not already provided with assistants.

On the 6th Mrs. Mary Stover, a blind woman at Benton Bridge, Hancock County, W. Va., was buried to death, her clothing taking fire while she was working about a stove. Her husband, also blind, was severely burned while trying to save his wife.

On the 6th James Dana, a brother of Chas. A. Dana, of the New York *Sun*, was out hunting on North Fork, near Thorpe, Wis., with E. Vantrout, a prominent merchant of Durant. The hunters separated for a time and Dana mistook Vantrout for a deer and shot him in the back, the ball coming out in front. He will recover.

PERCY MCCARTHY was fatally injured and Michael Wood quite seriously burned by an explosion of natural gas at Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 5th. The men were digging a trench and had just lit a lamp to work by when the accident occurred. The explosion was caused by the light coming in contact with a gas leak from the pipes along the street.

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DURING the week ending November 7th the market value of the dollar from the mints was \$78.947, during the corresponding week last year, \$86.996. The shipment of fractional silver coin during the week ended November 7th was \$133,390.

On the 9th a rumor was started on the New York Stock Exchange to the effect that work on the Panama Canal had been stopped for want of funds. Mr. Colne, Secretary of the American Commission, pronounced the report to be entirely without foundation in fact.

FURTHER Indian atrocities are reported in New Mexico.

On the 6th a mob of two hundred men stoned a battalion of soldiers at Limerick, Ireland, without provocation. The disturbance threatening to become serious, a strong force of police had to be called out to quell the rioters. Three soldiers were badly wounded.

It looks very much as though the United States would have to foot the bill for damages sustained in the burning of Aspinwall. The railroads at Buffalo, N. Y., have shut down on the scoundrels.

THE Bulgarian and Serbian patrols on the frontier are daily exchanging shots.

THE Reading and the Baltimore & Ohio Railroads have concluded a traffic agreement.

THE annual meeting of the National Academy of Sciences began at Albany, N. Y., on the 10th.

SERBIAN troops have occupied the heights at Isaribrod, and are bivouacked in deep snow.

It is stated that war between Burnah and the Indian Government has been formally declared.

THE North, Central and South American Exposition at New Orleans was opened on the 10th with interesting ceremonies.

UNITED STATES Fish Commission car No. 2 left Washington on the 10th with carp to supply anglers in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois.

AN exploring schooner reports the discovery of a coal field on the Russian shores of Behring's Straits.

THE depression in ship-building on the Clyde is causing great distress among the workmen who are out of employment.

A MEETING of Iowa coal miners is called to be held at Des Moines, December 1st, to gather information about wages, etc.

THE twelfth annual convention of the National Butter, Cheese and Egg Association began at Chicago on the 10th.

BETWEEN 400 and 500 delegates were present, large contingents having arrived from New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington and Cincinnati.

CAPTAIN BEARDSLEE, commanding the Powhatan, has telegraphed the Secretary of the Navy from Colon that his vessel has been "considerably not seriously, damaged" in a gale. He will probably be ordered to take her to Key West for repairs, as he suggests, since repairing can not be done at Colon without great expense and difficulty.

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SOUTHERN GLEANINGS.

A jealous lover came near killing his rival while the latter was escorting the young lady from church in Charleston, S. C., a few nights ago.

Silver coin of the value of \$20,000 has been unearthed on the plantation of John Chennault, in Wilkes County, Georgia, where a Confederate treasury train is said to have been robbed.

Dr. Robert Keith, a wealthy cattle dealer of Dalton, Ga., has disappeared very mysteriously in Chattanooga, Tenn., and it is feared he has met with foul play. When last seen he drew a large sum of money from bank and left the bank to dispose of a drove of cattle. He has not since been seen and no trace of him can be found.

The finding of a hat upon the river bank at Columbus, Ga., a few days ago led to the discovery of the body of Mr. Ed. Heiler, foreman of the Eagle and Phoenix Mills. A terrible gash was in his head. Whether his drowning was accidental or suicidal is not known.

As J. D. Jackson, who carries the mail from the depot to the Post-office at Sherman, Tex., was going to get the mail for the train a few nights ago he was set upon by two robbers and \$17.35 taken from his pockets. One of the parties held a gun on him while the other rifled his pockets.

George Thomas (colored) and Harry Poindester were arrested in Louisville, Ky., a few days ago charged with committing numerous burglaries in the city. Several thousand dollars' worth of diamonds were captured with the thieves on the train as they were leaving for Cincinnati, from whence they hailed.

General Joseph J. Finnegan, a distinguished ex-Confederate who fought the successful battle of Olustee, February 22, 1864, against the Federal forces under General Seymour, died at his orange grove in Orange County, Fla., a few nights ago. He was born at Cloonin, Ireland, November 17, 1814.

Through the misunderstanding of orders by the conductors, a terrible accident took place a few days since near Childersburg, on the East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia Road. Thirteen cars were wrecked. Fireman Swain (colored) was killed and conductor Hall was expected to die. Four train hands were fatally wounded, one of whom has since died.

Dr. J. L. McGee, a prominent citizen and deacon in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Superintendent of the Sunday-school, and dentist of Humboldt, Tenn., committed suicide a few nights ago by shooting himself in the left breast with a pistol. He had been in bad health a long time, and it is supposed he was suffering from temporary insanity. The weapon which he used was the same that his father attempted to commit suicide with several years ago.

A vigilance committee, composed of a number of determined citizens, has been organized at Sherman, Tex., to assist the police in ferreting out the perpetrators of a series of highway robberies. It is the general belief that the crimes are being committed by parties living in the city.

A number of suspicious characters are under the surveillance of a committee unknown to the general public.

John H. Allen, manager of the Southern Telegraph Company, of Augusta, Ga., was drowned a few days ago while bathing.

Mr. James Van Diver, who was, during the civil war, a resident of Mississippi and a soldier under General Sterling Price, C. S. A., died recently at his home near Harrodsburg, Ky. Mr. Van Diver killed the distinguished Federal General Nathan Lyon in a hand-to-hand encounter in the battle of Springfield, Mo., and captured Colonel Buell, also of the Federal army, and who presented his spurs to him.

A cloud burst a few days ago caused great destruction of crops and other property near Fort Payne, Ala.

Rev. David Smith, colored, of Denison, Tex., was fatally stabbed by his mother-in-law during a quarrel a few days since.

AH. Little, on trial for pension forgeries at Louisville, Ky., is said to have killed fourteen men.

Lina Johnson, nine years old, and Charles Morris, twelve, were playing with a pistol near Plano, Tex., a few days since. Lina is dead.

Bill Moss, a murderer, was tracked by bloodhounds in Marion County, Mississippi, a few days ago and captured. He killed one of the dogs.

The retail liquor license in Fulton County, Georgia, excepting Atlanta, has been increased to \$2,000, five times the original tax, and presumably prohibitive.

A prominent physician of Athens, Ga., who has had many cases of sore throat lately, made an investigation and found nearly every one of them was caused by cigarette-smoking.

Thirteen bodies were found along the track of the recent cyclone in Alabama; several others are missing, and forty or fifty are dangerously wounded.

The body of a Mrs. J. W. Taylor, who died at Louisville, Ky., six years ago, was removed to a new cemetery recently and was found to be completely petrified. Every feature was well preserved and lifelike.

An exchange noticing that geese are now flying southward in great numbers, satirically remarks that the northern goose resorts must be closed.

James Gibson, a former St. Louis street-car driver, was killed a few days ago by John Strong, watchman in the Illinois Central shops at Jackson, Tenn.

Anna Davenport (colored) was recently convicted at Nashville, Tenn., of murder in the first degree, with mitigating circumstances, the crime with which she was charged being the administration of concentrated lye to a colored child.

The heaviest hail-storm ever known in Corinth, Miss., and vicinity, fell there a few nights ago. Some of the hail-stones were as large as hen's eggs.

William Easley, who was shot recently at Graham Station, Tenn., by Buck Brown, died of his wounds.

The Exposition at New Orleans is open. Three negro urchins charged with burglary in Atlanta, Ga., were so small that when brought into court the Sheriff was asked if he caught them in a rat-trap.

While Mr. Henry Armstrong, foreman of a Louisville & Nashville gravel train, was sitting in the caboose of his train, which was standing on a side-track at Birmingham, Ala., a few days ago, he leaned out of the door, in doing which he inclined his chair too far forward and it slipped, throwing him head first to the ground. Bystanders ran to him at once, but found him dead, the fall having dislocated his neck.

A SCRAP OF HISTORY.

Dating back to the Napoleonic Wars of Establishing an European Dynasty in Mexico—What General Grant Thought of Dr. Gwin's Intentions of Accepting the Election of Senator His Letter On the Subject to General McDowell.

NEW YORK, November 9.—The following letter from Lieutenant-General Grant to Major-General McDowell concerning the movements of Dr. Gwin, and giving him instructions with reference to any hostile movements to be undertaken against the United States from the Mexican State of Sonora is now published for the first time:

HEADQUARTERS ARMIES OF THE UNITED STATES, CITY POINT, VA., JANUARY 2, 1865.

Major-General J. McDowell, Commanding Department of the Pacific.

IT IS KNOWN THAT DR. GWIN, former United States Senator from California, has been appointed Governor of Sonora, Mexico, and that he is a rebel of the most virulent order. His being formerly a resident of California and now going to that State in Mexico, under the name of the State of his former residence, is a most serious matter, and it is the duty of the Government to take prompt action to prevent his going to that State.

In an event like the one alluded to, I would not rest satisfied with simply driving the invader out of Mexico, but would retain possession of the territory from which the invaders start until indemnity for the past and security for the future, satisfactory to the Government, was made.

This letter, which may have to be regarded as instructions for your guidance, is written in a very plain and direct manner, and I trust that you will be able to carry it out to the letter.

The case supposed is a very different one from those that have occurred, starting from Canada. In the latter case rebels have fitted out for the invasion of our northern frontier, upon Canadian soil, secretly, and without the knowledge of Canadian authorities. In the threatened invasion it will be a case of open warfare.

In my judgment, you will justify direct assistance on our part to the Government of Mexico, and will regard as private, until the exigency contemplated, any action on your part which may be regarded as instructions for your guidance in the absence of more recent orders.